PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the heart and blood vessel diseases are this nation's and this state's Number One health enemy, accounting for more deaths than all other causes combined, and

WHEREAS, these diseases are responsible for widespread suffering and disability, causing serious economic hardship in homes and businesses in our state, and

WHEREAS, leading heart authorities agree that medical science is on the verge of important breakthroughs to further control heart and blood vessel diseases, and

WHEREAS, the Heart Fund is our best defense against these diseases, supporting vital research and making possible professional and public education and community service to bring the benefits of new knowledge to all citizens, and

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Heart Association, an affiliate of the American Heart Association, is conducting the 1963 Heart Fund drive in this state to speed the search for greater controls over the cardiovascular disease;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARCHIE GUBBRUD, Governor of South Dakota do hereby proclaim, that the month of February be observed as:

PEART MONTH

in this state, and I urge our citizens, through their businesses, civic and service organizations, and in their family circles to assist in achieving this victory by contributing generously to the Heart Fund drive of the South Dakota Heart Association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Grest Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this eleventh day of January, one thousand nine hundred sixty-three.

ARCHIE GUBBRUD, GOVERNOR

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SUCRETARY OF STATE